
MARYLAND & THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

UNITED STATES SENATE

The 100-member United States Senate consists of two members from each state. U.S. Senators are elected to serve six-year terms with one-third of the body standing for election every two years (U.S. Constitution, Art. 1, sec. 3).

From 1789 to 1913, U.S. Senators from Maryland were chosen by the General Assembly. Since 1913, they have been elected by the voters of Maryland (U.S. Constitution, Amendment 17).

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Member, U.S. House of Representatives, 1977-87. Member, Energy and Commerce Committee, 1977-87; Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, 1977-87. Executive committee, Congresswomen's Caucus.

Member, Baltimore City Council, 1971-76. Member, Bainbridge Re-Use Advisory Committee, 1996-97. *Born in Baltimore, Maryland, July 20, 1936. Mount Saint Agnes College, B.A., 1958; University of Maryland School of Social Work, M.S.W., 1965. Author, lecturer, teacher, social worker. Former adjunct professor, Department of Sociology, Loyola College. Chair, Democratic Party Commission on Delegate Selection and Party Structure, 1973. Democratic nominee for U.S. Senate seat in Maryland, 1974. Consultant, National Center for Urban Ethnic Affairs. Delegate, International Women's Year Conference, 1980. Member, National Organization for Women and National Women's Political Caucus. Delegate, Democratic Party National Convention, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, 2004. Author, Capitol Offense (1996); Capitol Venture (1997). Honorary degrees from Morgan State University, 1990; Hood College; Goucher College, 1991; Pratt Institute, New York; and the Johns Hopkins University, 1995. Inducted into Maryland Women's Hall of Fame, 1988. Lester Levy Humanitarian Award, Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore, 1993. Named Most Trustworthy Politician, Baltimore Magazine, 1996. Certificate of Appreciation, Federated Asian Pacific American Council, 1996. Maryland's Top 100 Women, Daily Record, 1997. Lifetime Achievement Award, Maryland Chapter, Arthritis Foundation, 1999. Bay Saving Excellence Award, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 2000. Visionary for Women's Health Award, National Institutes of Health, 2000. Order of Merit, Republic of Poland, 2001 (Poland's most prestigious award to a civilian not a head of state). Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Award, Baltimore Urban League, 2002. Connie Mack Award for Lifetime Achievement, Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, 2003. Pioneer Award, Maryland Waterman's Association, 2003. Friend of the*